

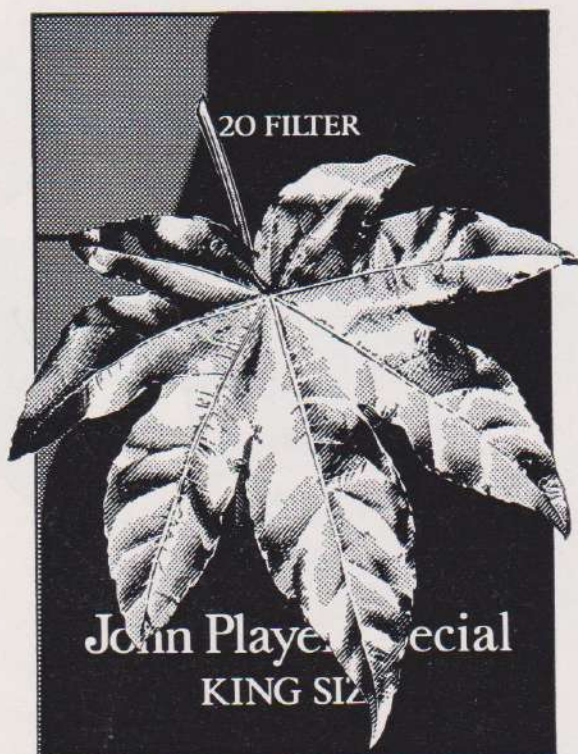
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Last Tuesday night I walked into the room euphemistically known as the Chairman's Room and there was Frank Arok. All the memories of our Australian trip came flooding back because Frank is the national coach to their Soccer Federation.

Some of those memories are personal, some are shared by all, and others by only a few, like the occasion when we were entertained for lunch at Olga's in Adelaide, or when I won thirty dollars at the "Trots" (the Trotting Races) in Sydney, or when we were given a lesson in Boomerang throwing in Brisbane.

Then there was the unforgettable occasion in that city too, when a kiss-a-gram was delivered to the Indoor Cricket complex where England v. The Rest of the World were playing in the Fourth Test. I think Hans van Breukelen was captaining the Rest of the World and now the English batsmen know the meaning of the phrase Dutch Treat.

There was an instance when the tour was nearly aborted in Melbourne where at half-time an offer of an extra few days holiday was made — if we won.

The day on the beach at Surfers Paradise where the Pacific Ocean pounded in and we were the only ones on the beach — it was their winter but we felt quite warm.

The visit to see that weird game called "Australian Rules Football," in Perth, was different to all other football experiences, and the first Rugby League Test Match in Sydney made us feel at home when we saw the Great Britain team run out, as we did when talking to Torvill and Dean who were staying in our hotel in Brisbane.

There was the occasion at the official reception in Adelaide which we won't forget when two waiters serving the top table collided and the contents of the main course tray finished in the presidents lap.

The game in Melbourne was on that famous cricket ground, cum Australian Rules, cum Soccer pitch, which had everything except atmosphere — none of the 20,000 crowd were within 60 yards of the pitch.

On a personal note I was pleased to meet Arthur Morris the ex-test batsman, who is now vice-chairman of the Trustees of Sydney Cricket Ground, who played a bit before my time, but Tony Lock, Peter Loader, and Ron Tindall didn't, they were my

ON THE INSIDE



with KEN SMALES

contemporaries who now live and work in Perth. Ron was a professional at both cricket and football and is now coach to the Western Australia Soccer Federation.

He invited Ron Fenton, Liam O'Kane, Tony Verity, and myself to his home for dinner and if the other three got bored with the cricket stories they didn't show it, but I can tell you there were not many wickets taken, or runs scored, as the conversation concentrated on off-the-field escapades.

It was my first opportunity to apologise to Tony for having bowled a "beamer" at him over 25 years ago. He couldn't remember but said he and Johnny Wardle had exchanged a few over the years so I didn't feel so bad about it after all.

All the memories of the trip became so vivid that I decided there and then to edit all the film I took to remind the lads that they really did enjoy it.

Cloughie calling...



Although I was not with the team in Australia during last summer, I understand from Ron Fenton, Liam O'Kane and Ken Smales, who was particularly complimentary about the food, that our party was treated lavishly out there.

So it's nice to be able to reciprocate a little and play hosts to the Australian tourists here this afternoon.

Their visit to the City Ground coincides with the fact that we have signed their best player Alan Davidson, who has only just arrived from Australia.

With or without him, I'm certain that the Australians will provide formidable opposition because by all accounts their football has come on in leaps and bounds over the last few years.

I know the problems that Bobby Robson's England team had trying to win a match out there last year and I know that Ron Fenton was impressed with what he saw on our tour.

Ron said they are very well organized in their play and he was slightly taken aback by the level of skill they showed. It should be a very interesting afternoon.



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From Forest apprentice to Australian international . . . that's the Joe Watson file.

Forest 'breaks' went against Joe

For one member of the Australian party, today's visit to the City Ground brings back some painful memories.

Joe Watson, now 32 and capped 18 times by Australia, was once on our books as a highly-promising young right winger.

He came from the same Scottish junior club — Glenrothes — as John Robertson but he got the kind of break he didn't really want.

He fractured his leg soon after arriving in Nottingham and had the cruelest of luck on his return. His recovery was just under way and he was jogging around the perimeter of the ground one day, fell over and broke his arm!

With that kind of misfortune, it wasn't difficult to appreciate that everything

seemed stacked against young Joe and he eventually returned to Scotland and had a spell with Dundee United.

But he later decided that there was no future for him in professional football in the U.K. and set off for a new life "down under."

He now works as a sales representative in Australia but his footballing talent never deserted him and he's long since been recognised as one of the country's top players.

And during the summer, Joe's links with us were recalled when he played against our players during their tour of Australia.

Liam O'Kane, who was at the City Ground at the same time as Joe, takes up the story . . .

"As soon as the game got under way, I looked at Joe

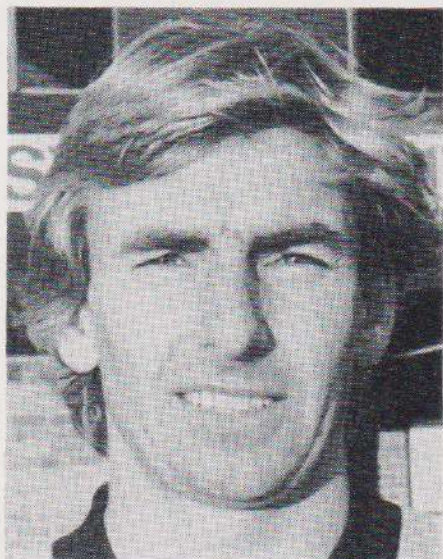
and thought I recognised him from years back. But I wasn't totally sure because he had a beard and obviously had changed quite a bit over the years.

"But his movement was the same and as the players left the field at half time, I hung around the tunnel waiting to find out.

"Before I got the words out of my mouth, Joe came across and said 'Are you all right Liam'? Evidently, he had been wondering whether there was anyone still at Forest from his time at the City Ground.

"We had a bit of a chat and he's done well for himself in Australia. He's got quite a reputation on the football field and Ron Fenton and I were both impressed with his performance against us. In fact, he ran the show."

THE AUSTRALIAN



John Kosmina



Ken Murphy

TERRY GREEDY

Age: 29. Current Club: St. George. International games played: 16. Goalkeeper: Courageous and agile with safe hands. Cool under pressure and has good anticipation. Made his international debut against England last year and has never looked back.

ANTHONY FRANKEN

Age: 19. Current Club: Canberra Arrows. International games played: 5. One of the big successes of the Mexico World Youth Cup Finals. Rated the best goalkeeper of the series, following brilliant performances against Mexico, Scotland and South Korea.

ANTHONY PEZZANO

Age: 24. Current Club: Sydney City. International games played: 2. Goalkeeper who has won international recognition through hard work and dedication. Excellent in the air, he has a very safe pair of hands and sound anticipation.

WALTER SAVOR

Age: 25. Current Club: Sydney Croatia. Current Position: Midfield or striker. This is Walter's first selection for Australia's national team squad.

CHARLIE YANKOS

Age: 23. Current Club Heidelberg United. International games played: 17. A strong sweeper who also came to the forefront in last year's series against England. Has the ability to play in numerous positions in the defence and filled in at right back in the successful Merlion Cup campaign in December, 1983.

PHIL O'CONNOR

Age: 31. Current Club: Blacktown City. International games played: 29. Once with Luton Town, this player had a variety of clubs in Australia's National Soccer League. Current position is forward.

DAVID RATCLIFFE

Age: 27. Current Club: St. George. International games played: 20. Probably the most consistent performer in Australian club football. Made his name on the international front with his memorable displays against England's Trevor Francis in last year's series.

MIKE O'SHEA

Age: 24. Current Club: St. George. International games played: 7. Strong central defender, very consistent and dedicated to his profession.

JOE WATSON

Age: 32. Current Club: Sydney City. International games played: 18. A midfielder-cum-winger who has talent to burn. Despite his small stature he is one of the most penetrating players in the game in Australia.

KEN MURPHY

Age: 28. Current Club: South Melbourne. International games played: 13. Strong attacking midfielder with great experience. Blossomed onto the national scene in the series against England and hasn't looked back since.

IAN GRAY

Age: 21. Current Club: Leichhardt. International games played: 2. One of the young lions of Australian football, he has come to the fore this season with some sterling displays in the midfield for his club.

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Age : 24. Current Club : Sydney Olympic. International games played : 14. A strong sweeper who came to the forefront in last year's series against England. He has the ability to play in numerous positions in the defence and filled in at right back during the successful Merlion Cup campaign in Singapore in December.

JOHN O'SHEA

Age : 27. Current Club : St. George. International games played : 9. A hard-working midfielder who has been one of the most consistent performers in the Australian National Soccer League for many years.

ALEX ROBERTSON

Age : 30. Current Club : Sydney City. International games played : 2. Is a defender who can fill any position and can be relied upon in any situation.

OSCAR CRINO

Age : 22. Current Club : South Melbourne. International games played : 4. Brilliant ball player who starred in the sweeper role for the Young Socceroos in the 1981 World Youth Cup Finals. An "educated" player who leans towards the South American style of football.

JOHN KOSMINA

Age : 30. Current Club : Sydney City. International games played : 65. Has played in two World Cup campaigns with the Socceroos. Also spent a season in the English First Division with Arsenal. Great goal-scoring ability.

MARSHALL SOPER

Age : 24. Current Club : Sydney Olympic. International games played : 9. One of the most dynamic and exciting strikers on the Australian scene. Can snap up the slightest opportunity and has the ability to open any defence with an electrifying turn of speed.

STEVE O'CONNOR

Age : 29. Current Club : Sydney City. International games played : 21. Stopper and one of the hardest men to pass in Australia's National Soccer League. Dominating in the air and strong on the ground, he is the lynch-pin in the Sydney City defence.

FRANK FARINA

Age : 20. Current Club : Canberra Arrows. International games played : 7. Another star of the youth team's participation in last year's World Cup Finals in Mexico. Became Australia's hero when he scored the equalising goal against Mexico in front of a capacity crowd of 110,000 at the Aztec Stadium. Fast and direct, Frank has a powerful finishing shot.

CHARLES FAGAN

Age : 25. Current Club : South Melbourne Hellas. International games played : 9. A striker who, despite being small in stature, has the ability to win the ball in the air. Has good vision and can make space well against a tight defence.

PETER RASKOPOULOS

Age : 22. Current Club : Sydney Olympic. International games played : 13. A midfielder with a fine consistent record has played in the National Soccer League for Olympic since he was 15.

TOMMY McCULLOCH

Age : 20. Current Club : Marconi. International games played : 2. A youngster with a big future. Plays midfield with great vision and is an excellent passer of the ball.

THE Australians opened their tour of Europe in impressive style last Wednesday night with a 3-1 victory over Second Division promotion hopefuls Manchester City at Maine Road.

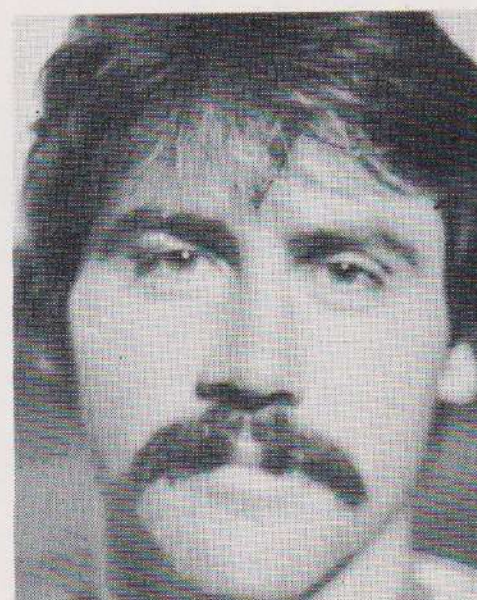
Their goalscorers in a match watched by just 2,035, were Ian Gray, Charles Egan and John Kosmina (penalty). City's goal was scored by Scottish striker Jim Melrose.

The Australians next game is against Glasgow Rangers at Ibrox on Tuesday night and they complete the English part of their tour with a match against Aston Villa at Villa Park next Sunday.

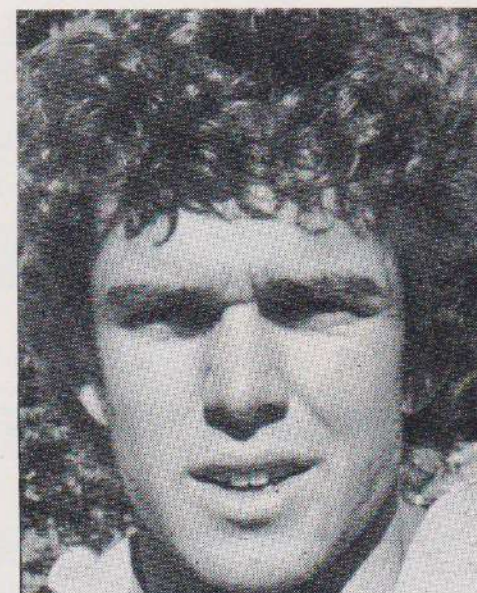
They then fly off to Yugoslavia to play against Hadjuk Split on Tuesday, 27th November and on Thursday, 29th November they meet Udinese Calcio in Italy.



Charlie Yankos



Steve O'Connor



Tony Franken

Forest

1. Hans Segers
2. Gary Mills
3. Jim McNally
4. Bryn Gunn
5. Paul Hart
6. David Campbell
7. Gary Megson
8. Johnny Metgod
9. Trevor Christie
10. Peter Davenport
11. David Riley
12. To be announced

Australia

1. Terry Greedy
2. Ian Gray
3. Graham Jennings
4. Charlie Yankos
5. David Ratcliffe
6. Steve O'Connor
7. Joe Watson
8. Marshall Soper
9. John Kosmina
10. Ken Murphy
11. Charles Egan
12. To be announced

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